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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Kolberg et al.  
Serial No.: 09/830,029  
For: DEVICE FOR MELTING OR REFINING GLASSES OR  
GLASS CERAMICS  
Filed: July 25, 2001  
Examiner: Mark Halpern  
Art Unit: 1731  
Confirmation No.: 9397  
Customer No.: 27,623

Attorney Docket No.: 608.0010USU

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Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

We are enclosing an Amendment in response to the communication dated August 27, 2004 in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be \$\_\_\_\_\_ to extend the time for filing this response until \_\_\_\_\_.

The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED               |   |       |   |                  |                 |    |
|---------------------------------|---|-------|---|------------------|-----------------|----|
|                                 | Claims<br>Remaining<br>After<br>Amendment |       | Highest<br>Number<br>Previously<br>Paid | Present<br>Extra | Rate            |    |
| Total<br>Claims                 | 8   | Minus | 20                                      | 0                | x \$18.00       | \$ |
| Independent<br>Claims           | 1   | Minus | 3                                       | 0                | x \$88.00       | \$ |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE    |   |       |   |                  | x \$300.00 = \$ |    |
| TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES     |   |       |   |                  | \$0.00          |    |
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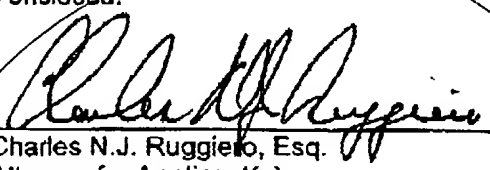
The total fee for this amendment, including claim changes and any extension of time is calculated to be \$ 0.00 .

       A check in the amount of \$ 0.00 is attached.

X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 01-0467. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.

October 1, 2004

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